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SUBJECT: UNSC - GOC SUPPORT FOR STRENGTHENED RENEWAL OF THE
1540 COMMITTEE'S MANDATE

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¶1. POLOFF delivered reftel demarche on 08 April 2008 to Andrej Dogan, Department for the United Nations in the Croatian Ministry of Foreign and European Integration (MFA). The GOC had no issue with strengthening the mandate of the 1540 Committee as outlined. Dogan did not go so far as to say the GOC would support such a resolution in lieu of a technical rollover, but confirmed the GOC would not undermine our efforts. EU support for the resolution would likely lead to stronger support from the GOC.

¶2. During a separate meeting on 10 April, Sanja Bujas Juraga, head of the Department for International Security at the Croatian MFA, expressed much more enthusiasm for the proposed U.S. resolution. Juraga was clearly aware of the U.S. proposal, likely having been consulted by Dogan's office. Her comments appeared to indicate the GOC position is closely aligned with our own.
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